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Faithful Through the Years
Celebrating the 100th Anniversary of Trinity Lutheran Church
“Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.” Hebrews 13:8

First Sunday after Trinity

June 7th-- anno Domini 2026

"O Lord, I have trusted in Your mercy; my heart shall rejoice in Your salvation." These first words of this week's *Introit* are the last words of Psalm 13. But before these words David laments that God has hidden his face from him. It has seemed to David that God has forgotten him. Perhaps he wrote this while Saul was trying to kill him (1 Sam 18:8ff). David gives us a great example of lamentation. He laments to God, but before men he refuses to lament about God. In fact, he refuses even to kill Saul when he has the opportunity, because Saul was anointed by God. As he said, "Who can put out his hand against the LORD's anointed?" (1 Sam 26:9) Before men David did not complain about God. But before God he lamented. He pours out his heart. He confesses to God that he seems hidden from sight. He complains to God that he has sorrow in his heart and that his enemies are triumphing over him. Such lamentation before God ends with the firm confidence of salvation. He sings, "I will sing to the LORD, for he has dealt bountifully with me."

We therefore learn from our *Introit* how to lament to God. In this prayer, inspired by the Holy Spirit, we see that the believer is in total poverty before God. He does not find his wealth in the things of this world. But his wealth is hidden under all sorts of trials and afflictions. His bounty is found in the salvation, which God has promised him in Christ. This is why David refused to destroy Saul, the Lord's anointed. Because he found his blessing in the coming anointed one, Jesus Christ. He found his blessings in the only begotten Son of God (Ps 2:7) who would suffer for our salvation (Ps. 22). In poverty of soul, mourning our sins and the hopelessness of this world, we learn to bring our lamentations to the only one who can comfort us, the only one who bore in his own body our sins. We bring our lamentations and complaints to the Lord. He wants to hear them. And he deals bountifully with his children.

DEAR VISITORS: As a congregation in the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, Trinity practices **closed communion**, which means that we only commune those who are members in good standing of sister congregations and have been instructed in the Christian faith as it is summarized in Luther's Small Catechism. If you are a visitor and desire to commune at Trinity, **please speak to Pastor Preus before the service.**

The Order of Morning Service

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Hymn of Invocation ∞ *God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It*

ELH #246 (Insert)

Stand for final stanza

Baptism - Nikki Pelster

Invocation, Confession & Absolution

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Please remain standing through the conclusion of the Collect of the Day.

Service of the Word



Introit

O Lord, I have trusted in Your | mercy;*
my heart shall rejoice in Your sal- | vation.

I will sing | to the LORD,*

because He has dealt bountiful- | ly with me. (*Psalm 13:5-6*)

How long, O LORD? Will You forget me for- | ever?*

How long will You hide Your | face from me?

How long shall I take counsel | in my soul,*

how long will my enemy be exalted | over me?

consider and hear me, O | LORD my God;*

enlighten my eyes, lest I sleep the | sleep of death;

lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed a- | gainst him";*

lest those who trouble me rejoice when | I am moved. (*Psalm 13:1-4*)

Gloria Patri ∞ *Glory be to the Father*

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Kyrie ∞ *Lord, Have Mercy*

Gloria in Excelsis ∞ *Glory to God in the Highest*

Salutation & Collect of the Day

Sit

Old Testament Reading ∞ *Genesis 15:1-6*

¹After this the LORD spoke to Abram in a vision. "Don't be afraid, Abram," He said. "I am your Shield. Your reward is very great."

²"Lord GOD," Abram asked, "what will You give me? I'm leaving no children, and Eliezer of Damascus will get the property of my household. ³You have given me no children," Abram added, "so a member of my household will get my property."

⁴"He will not get it," the LORD told him, "but your own child will get your property." ⁵Then He took him outside. "Now look at the sky," He said, "and count the stars if you can." Then He told him, "That is how many descendants you will have."

⁶Abram believed the LORD, and so the LORD counted it to him as righteousness.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**



Gradual

I said, "LORD, be merci - / ful to me;*

heal my soul, for I have sinned a- / gainst You."

Blessed is he who consi- / ders the poor;*

the LORD will deliver him in time of / trouble. (Ps. 41:4, 1)

Epistle *↪ 1 John 4:16-21*

¹⁶And we have come to know and believe the love God has for us. God is Love, and if you live in love, you live in God, and God lives in you. ¹⁷His love has accomplished what He wants when we can look ahead confidently to the day of judgment because we are what He is in this world. ¹⁸Such love isn't terrified, but the finest love throws out terror. We are terrified by punishment, and if we're terrified, our love isn't at its best.

¹⁹We love because He first loved us. ²⁰If anyone says, "I love God," but hates his brother, he's a liar. If anyone doesn't love his brother whom he has seen, he can't love God Whom he hasn't seen. ²¹And this is the order He gave us: If you love God, love your brother.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Stand



Verse

Alle- / luia.*

Alle- / luia.

O LORD my God, in You I / put my trust;*

save me from all those who persecute me, and deliver me. Alle- / luia. (Psalm 7:1)

Triple Hallelujah

Gospel *↪ Luke 16:19-31*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.

C **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

¹⁹"There was a rich man who dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. ²⁰A beggar by the name of Lazarus was laid at his gate. He was covered

with sores ²¹and longed to satisfy his hunger with anything that might fall from the rich man's table. And the dogs would even come and lick his sores.

²²"One day the beggar died, and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³Being tormented in hell, he looked up, and though far away, he saw Abraham, and Lazarus at his side. ²⁴'Father Abraham,' he called, 'have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool off my tongue, because I'm suffering in this fire.'

²⁵"But Abraham said, 'Remember, son, you had your good things in your life, while Lazarus had his misery. Now he is comforted here, while you're suffering. ²⁶And besides all these things, there's a wide chasm fixed between us and you, so that those who might want to cross from here over to you can't do it, nor do any from there come over to us.'

²⁷" 'Then I ask you, father,' he said, 'send him to my father's home — ²⁸I have five brothers — to warn them not to get into this place of torture.'

²⁹" 'They have Moses and the prophets,' Abraham said. 'They should listen to them.'

³⁰" 'No, Father Abraham,' he said, 'but if someone comes to them from the dead, they'll repent.'

³¹" 'If they don't listen to Moses and the prophets,' he answered him, 'they won't be convinced even if someone rose from the dead.' "

P This is the Gospel of the Lord

C **Praise be to Thee, O Christ**

Apostles' Creed

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Sit
Hymn of the Day ✨ *Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart*

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Sermon

Stand

Offertory

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Sit

Gathering of the Offering

Stand to sing as the offerings are brought forward

*We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.*

Please complete the
Record of Fellowship in the
folder in your pew.

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Prayers

General Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Hymn ↻ *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

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Concluding Collect

Benediction

Sit

Hymn to Depart ↻ *Let Me Be Thine Forever*

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Silent Prayer

Ushers for today: Matthew Otten, David Otten, Alton Swann

Next week: Keith Rethemeyer, Charlie Scheer, Karson Eads, Jacob Preus

Greeter for today: Andrew Rethemeyer

Next Week: Larry Scheer

Acolyte today: Colton Swann

Next Week: Nolan Pelster

Flower and Altar Care: **June:** Leah Preus, Linda Rethemeyer, Grace Otten

Organist: Andrew Finck

Prayer and Petitions: Wayne Scheer and Sue Eads, health concerns. Homebound: LeeAnn Rohling, Diana Scheer, Paul & Sue Laune; Missionaries: Brandt Klawitter, mission work in Norway; Pastor James May (missionary to Africa); Rev. David Preus (missionary to Romania); Michael & Naomi Erslund, Lutheran Bible Translators. Immanuel Lutheran School, Washington; Camp Trinity; Luther Classical College; Christ the King Lutheran High School.

Birthdays and Annivers: Michelle Otten, 8th, Brad Quick, 9th

(Please email office@trinitynewhaven.com if your birthday or anniversary has not been listed or was incorrectly listed, so the records can be updated with correct information)

VBS Wrap Up Meeting: Monday, June 8th 6:00 p.m. at Shepherd's Hall, Camp Trinity. All Youth and Adult Leaders are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you are not able to attend, but have feedback on this year's VBS please email your comments to Ruth Rethemeyer at camptrinity73@yahoo.com.

Grass cutting - A volunteer sign-up sheet has been placed on the bulletin board in the vestibule. Volunteers, please pick out some dates and sign-up. If you are unable to cut personally, you can make a donation and some young volunteers will cut for you. See Roger Helling if you have questions.

SELECTION of Greeting Cards from Hymns in My Heart are available for sale in the narthex, by the Trinity Ladies Aid. Check out the collection of Wedding, Encouragement, Babies, Thank You, Graduation and Confirmation Cards. The cards are \$2.00 per card. Please deposit money in money slot.

Smalcald Articles Part III

Article III - Of Repentance.

18 Here we see how blind reason, in matters pertaining to God, gropes about, and, according to its own imagination, seeks for consolation in its own works, and cannot think of [entirely forgets] Christ and faith. But if it be [clearly] viewed in the light, this contrition is a manufactured and fictitious thought [or imagination], derived from man's own powers, without faith and without the knowledge of Christ. And in it the poor sinner, when he reflected upon his own lust and desire for revenge, would sometimes [perhaps] have laughed rather than wept [either laughed or wept, rather than to think of something else], except such as either had been truly struck by [the lightning of] the Law, or had been vainly vexed by the devil with a sorrowful spirit. Otherwise [with the exception of these persons] such contrition was certainly mere hypocrisy, and did not mortify the lust for sins [flames of sin]; for they had to grieve, while they would rather have continued to sin, if it had been free to them.

19 As regards confession, the procedure was this: Every one had [was enjoined] to enumerate all his sins (which is an impossible thing). This was a great torment. From such as he had forgotten [But if any one had forgotten some sins] he would be absolved on the condition that, if they would occur to him, he must still confess them. In this way he could never know whether he had made a sufficiently pure confession [perfectly and correctly], or when confessing would ever have an end. Yet he was pointed to his own works, and comforted thus: The more fully [sincerely and frankly] one confesses, and the more he humiliates himself and debases himself before the priest, the sooner and better he renders satisfaction for his sins; for such humility certainly would earn grace before God.

(Source: <https://bookofconcord.org/smalcald-articles/iii/of-the-law/>)

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